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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated August 17, 2006 kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.